

OF INTEREST TO STOCKMEN.

DRY WEATHER THE FACTOR THAT TELLS JUST NOW.

Prices of Feeders Take a Drop—General News and Notes Concerning Live Stock and the

Men Who Market It.

The main factor in the cattle market now is dry weather, and everyone is praying for rain. A rain would not only put new life in the cattle market and advance the price of feeding cattle, but it is needed to aid fall plowing. It is not a question of getting money this year for feeding purposes, as it can easily be had.

Topeka, Kas., Oct. 7.—(Special.) On account of the scarcity of stock water in the eastern half of Kansas, the following is being done:

Eastern half of Kansas the price of feeders has fallen during the past two weeks. Western Kansas cattlemen state that one good heavy rain in Eastern Kansas would send the prices of stock cattle up at least 50 cents. There is an abundance of water on the ranges in Southwestern Kansas and there cattle are doing fairly well.

George E. Hume, of Hume Bros., Austin, Tex., was at the yards yesterday. He says Texas is very dry and the pastures are being burnt up. Rain is needed all over the state, and if it is not had soon ranchmen must suffer. He reports cattle about 25 per cent short of last year, but says they are bringing 25 per cent more money. Such cattle as last year sold for \$30 are now bringing \$35, and such as were worth \$15 are now worth \$20.

It is said that a band of cattle and hog thieves are operating near Nowata, I. T. In the past two weeks farmers in that section report a loss of 100 cattle and nearly as many hogs.

Zeb F. Crider is down at Amarillo, Tex., recording a big purchase of IX 3 and 4-year-old steers that were purchased some time back.

It is reported that hog cholera has broken out again near Oberlin, Kas., and heavy losses are being sustained, as Decatur county is a good hog country.

plant in Omaha, and will work to build a cattle trade there, and thus intercept many thousand Northwestern cattle that now go to Chicago.

News was received here yesterday by the Sparks Bros. Horse and Mule Company that William Flood, probably the largest mule dealer in New Orleans and a man well known to the trade here, was down with the yellow fever.

Visitors at the Yards With Stock.
A. J. Tilzey, Lucas, Kas., came in yesterday with hogs.
Whitney & Hill, Belleville, Kas., had in hogs yesterday.
Huddleston Bros., Pomona, Kas., had in cattle yesterday.
Thurmond Bros., Cheyenne, O. T., had in

John Donley, Lincoln, Kas., was here yesterday with hogs.
E. S. Terry, Salsaw, I. T., was here yesterday with cattle.
A. N. Brooks, Garden City, Kas., was in yesterday with cattle.
S. T. Proffitt, West Plains, Mo., was up yesterday with cattle.
A. G. Wilson, Olathe, Kas., was here

W. S. Cook, Neosho Rapids, Kas., was in yesterday with cattle.
E. L. Hallsell, McFall, I. T., was here yesterday with cattle.
J. D. Dye, Metz, Mo., was on the yard yesterday with cattle.
William Kelley, Higginsville, Mo., came in yesterday with cattle.

Charles Tamm, Downs, Kas., was at the yards yesterday with hogs.
James Evans, Mooresville, Mo., was on the yards yesterday with hogs.
George T. Inge, Garden City, Kas., was on the yards yesterday with cattle.
John Florer, Gray Horse, I. T., was on the market yesterday with cattle.

James Crawford and S. L. Williams of Purcell, I. T., were in yesterday with hog. Abe and W. B. Crabbs, Ada, Kas., were on the yards yesterday with cattle. They report the usual number of cattle and hog in their county.

S. Segrest, Adickson, Kas., was here yesterday with 29 good cornfed native steers of his own feeding that averaged 1,270 lbs and sold at \$4.87 1/2.

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LIVE STOCK BY TELEGRAPH.
South Omaha, Oct. 7.—CATTLE—Receipts 5,000. Market steady. Beeves, \$3.50; calves, \$3.75; stockers and feeders, \$3.00; cows, \$2.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,500. Market steady. Top, \$3.75; bulk of sales, \$3.50@3.70.
SHEEP—Receipts, 3,900. Market steady.
 St. Louis, Oct. 7.—**CATTLE**—Receipts 2,500. Market steady; quality inferior; Texas and steady; native beefs, \$3.50@4.80; Texas steers, \$3.00@3.35.
HOGS—Receipts, 4,900. Market steady. Top, \$4.05.
SHEEP—Receipts, 4,300. Market steady.

Chicago, Oct. 7.—CATTLE—Receipts, 8,000. There was a good demand and prices ruled steady to strong at the following quotations: Sales of native beef steers were largely at \$4.55@5.00, prime shipping cattle being firm at \$5.25@5.40, while common fee Westerns and Texans went as low as \$3.50@3.90. The strength was mainly confined to good to choice beefs, the common drove

and, mostly steady. Native cows and heifers sold at \$1.50 to \$1.60, and calves and yearlings sold freely at \$4.40 to \$5.00 for bolognas, and \$3.00 to \$3.30 for feeders, while prime bulls brought \$1.00 to \$1.25. The stocker and feeder trade was rather slow at the recent decline owing to the drought. Texas cattle prices were unchanged. Western feeders sold largely at \$3.50 to \$4.10, and buyers offered \$3.45 for prime native feeders.

HOGS—Receipts, 20,000. Packers had

SHEEP—Receipts, 20,000. Trade in sheep and lambs was slow and prices averaged 10c lower. Sheep moved off fairly at \$2.00 for natives and at \$3.00 for Western.

ern rangers, the bulk going for \$3.00 a head. Lambs sold slowly at \$3.00 to \$3.50 for the poorest up to \$5.00 for the best flocks. Westerns going for \$3.75 to \$4.75. A few asorted lambs brought \$5.70.

of Europe.
From the Lewiston Journal.
It is rather the custom to imagine the Dutch people as a very self-satisfied, stolid and exclusive class of people, living on in their own peculiar fashion, regardless of the world. As a matter of fact the women of little Holland have made more progress than any other nation of Europe, and

1898 a world's fair, which Holland is to hold at The Hague, will be devoted alone to the activities and industries of women. This year the government passed a law conferring almost unqualified suffrage on women and making them eligible to nearly all municipal offices. The women of Holland have a number of societies: one to assist workmen to buy and own their own tools; one to make flower and vegetable gardens; one for the education of servants; and the care of children.

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